

**RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY
MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING**

20 OCTOBER 2004

A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on the above date in the RI Department of Health, Beck Conference Room, Providence, Rhode Island. A quorum was established and the Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Board members in attendance were:

**Joseph G. Samartano, Chairman Francis Connor, DDS,
Vice-Chairman**

Michael Rubinstein, DDS Henry Levin, DMD

Richard Glick, DDS Andrew Molak, DMD

Linda Rusack, RDH Kathleen Gazzola, RDH

Mr. Charles Matoian

Staff members in attendance were:

Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator

Gregory Madoian, Legal Counsel

Board members not in attendance:

Mr. Bernard Manchester

Ms. Mary Lou Buonaccorsi

Mr. John Smith

The Chairman called for a motion to approve the “Open Minutes” of the 22 September 2004 meeting. Ms. Gazzola requested that the minutes be amended to reflect that she had recused herself from recommending Sandra Medeiros for licensure. Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Mrs. Rusack, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as amended.

Dental Licensing Sub-Committee:

Dr. Connor reported that the Sub-Committee for Dental Licensure had reviewed the applications and credentials of the following candidates who had applied for licensure:

Dr. Mark Bailen * NATIONAL BOARDS – Licensed in Massachusetts

Dr. Isom Hamati NATIONAL BOARDS & NERB**

Dr. Ray Helinski * NATIONAL BOARDS & NERB**

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Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Dr. Molak, it was Voted by the Board to issue the aforementioned individuals licenses to practice dentistry in Rhode Island.

Dental Hygiene Licensing Sub-Committee:

The Dental Hygiene Committee had no candidates to recommend for licensure.

Board members were provided correspondence regarding the proposed National Dental/Dental Hygiene Clinical Examinations being developed by the American Association of Dental Examiners (AADE) along with a printed version of the slide presentation prepared by the AADE. The package also contained correspondence from the Western Regional Examining Board and the American Dental Education Association.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 17 November 2004.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the “Open Session” and enter into “Closed Executive Session” for the purpose of discussing

disciplinary matters pursuant to the applicable exceptions of the “Open Meeting Law”, so called of Chapter 42-46-5 sub-division (1) and (4) of the General Laws. Upon motion by Dr. Molak, seconded by Dr. Connor, the Board voted unanimously to enter into “Executive Session” at 9:20 a.m.

The Board returned to “Open Session” at 9:36 a.m.

Dr. Samartano requested that any decisions ratified during the “Closed Executive Session” be made public for the record, as well as, any business discussed which should be disclosed in the “Open Meeting. There was no business to disclose.

Dr. Samartano advised that he has been provided with a copy of the contract whereby Dr. George Vezina had enrolled into an OSHA training program Mary Loadholt, RDH.

The Chairman called for a motion to seal the minutes of the “Closed Executive Session” of 22 September 2004 meeting pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Dr. Connor, seconded by Dr. Levin, the Board Voted unanimously to seal the minutes.

Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Dr. Glick, it was unanimously VOTED by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph G. Samartano, DDS,
Chairman
RI Board of Examiners in Dentistry